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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD WASHINGTON, D.C.

Adopted by the NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD at its office in Washington, D.C. on the 15th day of March, 2005

MARION C. BLAKEY, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration,

Complainant,

V.

EDWARD WIRTH BROFF,

Respondent.

Docket CP-115

## ORDER DISMISSING PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Respondent has petitioned for reconsideration of our decision in this case, NTSB Order No. EA-5109, served September 15, 2004, in which we upheld the Administrator's assessment of a \$2,000 civil penalty against respondent, for violations of 14 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 61.3(a). We dismiss the petition.

Respondent's petition is untimely and thus subject to dismissal under our rules of practice, which provide that petitions must be filed within 30 days after the date of service

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Section 61.3(a) prohibits a person from acting as pilotin-command of a civil aircraft of U.S. registry without a valid pilot certificate.

of the Board's Order, or in this case by October 15, 2004. See 49 CFR 821.59(b). However, respondent's petition was dated November 11, 2004, 57 days after our decision was served, and he provides no reason for its lateness. Our rules of practice state, in section 821.11(b), that extensions of time to file petitions for reconsideration shall be granted only in "extraordinary circumstances," a standard we have previously noted is an even more stringent standard than the "good cause" standard we adhere to for untimely appeals and appeal briefs. Administrator v. Windwalker, NTSB Order No. EA-4671, n.2 (1998).

Moreover, we note that respondent's petition contains no new argument or information that would affect our earlier decision.

## ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

Respondent's petition for reconsideration is dismissed.

ENGLEMAN CONNERS, Chairman, ROSENKER, Vice Chairman, and CARMODY, HEALING, and HERSMAN, Members of the Board, concurred in the above order.